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Environment Department, City of Rio Rancho to Offer Free Water Testing Friday, November 21

(Santa Fe, NM) — The New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED) Ground Water Quality and Surface Water Quality Bureaus, in cooperation with the City of Rio Rancho will offer free private well water testing for Rio Rancho and Corrales residents on Friday, November 21 from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm at the Sabana Grande Recreation Center, 4110 Sabana Grande Blvd. in Rio Rancho.

In order to be tested, samples must be at least one quart in volume, freshly drawn from a cold water tap, and brought in a covered, clean glass or plastic container that did not previously contain pickles or juice. Quart containers are available at the Rio Rancho Utility Department Customer Service Office.

Department staff will be equipped to test for pH, conductivity, nitrate, sulfate, iron, and fluoride. Arsenic testing is also available during this event, however the number of samples tested for arsenic will be limited to 10 determined by the location of the private well. If you are interested in having your well tested for arsenic, please call 896-8816 for further information.

The event will be held at the Sabana Grande Recreation Center on 4110 Sabana Grande Blvd in Rio Rancho. The facility is located on the southwest corner of Sabana Grande and Highway 528.

For further information, contact Nora Romero with the City of Rio Rancho at (505) 896-8816 or Jon Goldstein, Communications Director, NMED at (505) 827-0314.

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